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**Sent:** Thur 8/23/2012 1:39:06 PM

**Subject:** Re: FW: status of BDCP after the 7/25 announcement

http://www.cafwd.org/reporting/entry/california-water-the-muddy-issue-of-the-delta-twin-tunnels

<u>here</u> here

Agree. Same view has been confirmed by other feds. Which is why Gary sent his email and I sent mine. Not sure anything makes any difference however. Even DFG thinks it all went "pretty well."

From: Tom Hagler < Hagler. Tom@epamail.epa.gov>

To: Hal Candee

Sent: Wed Aug 22 23:23:30 2012

Subject: RE: FW: status of BDCP after the 7/25 announcement

You know, I sent that news clipping because it is symptomatic of a clear communication problem here.

We had a call with Jerry Meral et al a couple days ago. His bimonthly check in with EPA and the Corps (Robeshotte). He said he thought the roll out went pretty well, with only a little grumbling from the usual suspects.

Maybe it was just happy talk to keep momentum, but I actually suspect that a weird group think has taken over otherwise normal people. They really seem to think everything is moving along successfully. Articles like the one I sent you (which I pulled off the DWR web site) just seem to reinforce the insular view that everyone is on board except a few naysayers. The DWR view seems to be that the schedule is a challenge, but that the fundamental program is sound and at about the right place. And that with a few tweaks to the assurances, they'll have funding for construction from the exporters. Off we go.

Not sure there is anything different that can be done to raise issues. Horse to water and all that.

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Date: 08/22/2012 04:36PM

Subject: RE: FW: status of BDCP after the 7/25 announcement

jeeez. thanks for telling me about this.

and yes, look for me popping baloons, swimming nude in the Sea of Gallilee and asking Dan Ackroyd and his brother for some super pac support.

From: Tom Hagler [mailto:Hagler.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 22, 2012 4:00 PM

To: Hal Candee

Subject: Re: FW: status of BDCP after the 7/25 announcement

But it says right here that you (well, your main clients) are all supporting the Governor's announcement! I'm am so confused....

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Here's excerpt in question (and yes, she misuses the word "formerly"):

"In an attempt to depict the dispersed of opinions about the Delta tunnels, the following table looks at some of the groups and politicians lining up to support or oppose the Governor's plan. Due to the flammable nature of the issue and the fact that it's an election year, however, many have been shy to formerly declare their position.

Supporting Opposing

Democrats Senator Diane Feinstein (D-CA), Senator Barbara Boxer (D-CA), Representative Jim Costa (D-Fresno), Representative Dennis Cardoza (D-Atwater) Representative Jerry McNerney (D-Stockton), Senator Louis Wolk (D-Davis), Representative Mike Thompson (D-St. Helena), Representative Doris Masui (D-Sacramento) Republicans Assemblyman Bill Berryhill (R-Stockton), Representative Devin Nunes (R-Visalia)\*, Senator Doug LaMalfa (R-Richvale)

Enviro Groups/ Orgs/Tribes Natural Resources Defense Council, The Nature Conservancy, Defenders of Wildlife, the Bay Institute, American Rivers, California Latino Water Coalition\*\* Sierra Club, Delta Vision Foundation, Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations, Planning and Conservation League, Winnemem Wintu Tribe

Water District/ Farming Interests Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Westlands Water District, Kern County Water Agency\*\*\*, Alameda County Water District, Western Growers South Delta Water Agency, Contra Costa Water District

<sup>\*</sup>Nunes opposes the tunnels insofar as he supports his bill, HR 1837, the "Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Water Reliability Act."

<sup>\*\*</sup> These organizations have expressed support for the Governor's plan insofar as it is a step toward balancing the co-equal goals of ecological restoration in the Delta and water reliability; however, they believe that more science

needs to be conducted. Read more here and here.

\*\*\* Only if the tunnels guarantee them more water.

But enough of all of that. We'll miss seeing you at Carl's soiree, but look forward to seeing you dodging balloons on the convention floor. On network TV, no less. You should go see Dave Barry's commentary on political conventions from many years back.

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